

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

GREGORY MADRID, a married man, and  
NATALIE WEISBERG, a single woman,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CERTAINTIED, LLC, a Pennsylvania limited  
liability company as successor-in-interest to  
CERTAINTIED CORPORATION, a  
Pennsylvania corporation,

Defendant.

CASE NO. C20-1285-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiffs' motion to compel (Dkt. No. 25). The Court's local rules provide that before filing a motion to compel the parties must meet and confer in good faith in an effort to resolve the dispute or at least narrow the issues. *See* W.D. Wash. Local Civ. R. 37(a)(1). The motion must include a certification that the parties met and conferred in good faith and must "list the date, manner, and participants to the conference." *Id.* "If the movant fails to include such a certification, the court may deny the motion without addressing the merits of the dispute." *Id.* The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure contain a similar requirement. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(a)(1).

Plaintiffs' motion to compel does not contain the required certification, nor do any of the attached declarations. (*See* Dkt. Nos. 25–28.) Therefore, the Court DENIES the motion. If, after

1 meeting and conferring in good faith, issues remain that the parties cannot resolve without the  
2 Court's intervention, Plaintiffs may renew their motion. Any renewed motion must include a  
3 certification that the parties met and conferred in good faith and must "list the date, manner, and  
4 participants to the conference." W.D. Wash. Local Civ. R. 37(a)(1).

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6 DATED this 20th day of May 2021.

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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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